

FORM FOR REPORTING  
IOWA CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS TO IOWA BIRD LIFE

Count Period  
Dec 16 - Jan 3  
(incl)

Count Name: Spirit Lake, IA

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Day/Month/Year of Count: 17 / 12 . / 88

Total Number of Species: ~~33~~ 31

Total Number of Birds: 6,066 (Iowa portion of count only; coverage includes small part of southern Minnesota)

Data for Field Parties (do not include feeder watching or owling here)

Number of Field Observers: 9

Number of Field Parties: 5

Total Field-Party Hours (sum for all parties): 49

Party-Miles by Car (sum for all parties): 247

Miles by Foot: 24 $\frac{1}{2}$

Miles, Other/Mode: /

Owling (pre-dawn, post-sunset only)

Total Party-Hours Owling: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Party-Miles Owling: \_\_\_\_\_

Feeder Birding

Number of Feeder Parties (feeder locations): 27 (most called in by phone & averaged about 1 hour obs. ea.)

Number of Feeder Observers: 1 (taking call-ins from 26 others)

Total Feeder-Party Hours: 36

Weather (use data from paper if available)

Temperature, low/high: 17° F / 22° F

Snow Cover, Average Inches: 3 in.

Wind, Velocity Range, mph: 12 / 18 mph

Wind, Predominant Direction: Northwest

Sky conditions: a.m.: clear partly cloudy, ~~cloudy~~, ~~rain~~, ~~sleet~~, ~~snow~~

(circle best descriptor) p.m.: clear partly cloudy, ~~cloudy~~, ~~rain~~, ~~sleet~~, ~~snow~~

Observers: A sheet is attached listing last year's observers for your count. Check those that participated this year (cross out those that did not), check spelling of names, mark with an "f" those that only participated as feeder watchers, and add additional participants to the list.

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Pied-billed Grebe: _____	American Coot: _____	+Northern Shrike: _____
Great Blue Heron: _____	Killdeer: _____	+Loggerhead Shrike: _____
*Tundra Swan: _____	Common Snipe: _____	Shrike sp.: _____
*Mute Swan: _____	Ring-billed Gull: _____	European Starling: 315
Gr. White-fronted Goose: _____	Herring Gull: _____	+Yellow-rumped Warbler: _____
Snow Goose: 13	Glaucous Gull: _____	Northern Cardinal: 10
Canada Goose: 3328	Rock Dove: 55	Rufous-sided Towhee: _____
Wood Duck: _____	Mourning Dove: _____	American Tree Sparrow: 110
Green-winged Teal: _____	Eastern Screech-Owl: _____	+Field Sparrow: _____
American Black Duck: _____	Great Horned Owl: 8	Fox Sparrow: _____
Mallard: 40	Snowy Owl: 1	Song Sparrow: _____
Northern Pintail: _____	Barred Owl: _____	+Lincoln's Sparrow: _____
Northern Shoveler: _____	Long-eared Owl: _____	Swamp Sparrow: _____
Gadwall: 1	Short-eared Owl: _____	White-throated Sparrow: _____
American Wigeon: _____	N. Saw-whet Owl: _____	White-crowned Sparrow: _____
Canvasback: _____	Belted Kingfisher: _____	Harris' Sparrow: _____
Redhead: _____	Red-headed Woodpecker: 1	Dark-eyed Junco: 92
Ring-necked Duck: _____	Red-bellied Woodpecker: 19	Lapland Longspur: _____
Lesser Scaup: _____	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: _____	Snow Bunting: _____
Common Goldeneye: _____	Downy Woodpecker: 99	Red-winged Blackbird: _____
Bufflehead: _____	Hairy Woodpecker: 31	+Western Meadowlark: _____
Hooded Merganser: _____	Northern Flicker: 10	Meadowlark sp.: _____
Common Merganser: _____	Pileated Woodpecker: _____	Yellow-headed Blackbird: _____
Red-breasted Merganser: _____	Horned Lark: 7	Rusty Blackbird: _____
Ruddy Duck: _____	Blue Jay: 57	<del>+Brewer's Blackbird: 1</del> **
*Osprey: _____	American Crow 108	Common Grackle: 4
Bald Eagle: 3	Black-capped Chickadee: 333	Brown-headed Cowbird: _____
Northern Harrier: _____	Tufted Titmouse: _____	*Pine Grosbeak: _____
+Sharp-shinned Hawk: _____	Red-breasted Nuthatch: _____	Purple Finch: _____
+Cooper's Hawk: _____	White-breasted Nuthatch: 109	House Finch: _____
Accipiter sp.: _____	Brown Creeper: 13	Red Crossbill: _____
*Northern Goshawk: _____	Carolina Wren: _____	White-winged Crossbill: _____
Red-shouldered Hawk: _____	Winter Wren: _____	Common Redpoll: _____
Red-tailed Hawk: 2	Golden-crowned Kinglet: _____	Pine Siskin: _____
Rough-legged Hawk: _____	+Ruby-crowned Kinglet: _____	American Goldfinch: 73
American Kestrel: 1	Eastern Bluebird: _____	Evening Grosbeak: _____
*Merlin: _____	*Townsend's Solitaire: _____	House Sparrow: 1200
*Prairie Falcon: _____	Hermit Thrush: _____	
Gray Partridge: 85	American Robin: _____	
Ring-necked Pheasant: 24	Northern Mockingbird: _____	
Ruffed Grouse: _____	Brown Thrasher: _____	
Wild Turkey: _____	+Bohemian Waxwing: _____	
Northern Bobwhite: _____	Cedar Waxwing: _____	

\*Other: 2 Sandill Crane (see documentation)

\*Other: 1 Buteo species (observer thought to be Broad-winged, but compiler has doubts--prefer to list as Buteo species)

+ = details from observer required; accipiters and shrikes will be counted as sp. unless convincing details given.

\* = documentation by observer(s) required; use official IOU form enclosed (make copies as needed).

All details and documentations should be printed in black pen or typed.

Send completed form to W. Ross Silcock, Box 300, Tabor, IA 51653 as soon after the count as possible. Reports received after 15 January 1987 cannot be include in the report.

(\*\*--field party made no documentation or notes other than it was an all-black blackbird--may have to consider "blackbird species")

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